

**REMARKS**

The status of the claims in the application is as follows:

<b>Claims / Section</b>	<b>35 U.S.C. Sec.</b>	<b>References / Notes</b>
7, 8, 28 and 30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allowed</li> </ul>
1, 2, 5, 6, 9-11, 15-17, 23, 28, 39 & 31-36	§103(a) Obviousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hagström, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,185,434); and</li> <li>• Admitted Prior Art (APA).</li> </ul>
12-14	§103(a) Obviousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hagström, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,185,434); and</li> <li>• Burgess (U.S. Patent No. 6,459,9885).</li> </ul>
18	§103(a) Obviousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hagström, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,185,434); and</li> <li>• Waldroup, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,070,058).</li> </ul>
19	§103(a) Obviousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hagström, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,185,434); and</li> <li>• Kurchuk, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,272,327).</li> </ul>

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating the allowability of claims 7, 8, 28 and 30. Accordingly, Applicant has amended and cancelled various claims so that only subject matter considered allowable by the Examiner is present in all pending claims.

Namely, Applicant has cancelled claims 1, 6, 9-11, 14, and 31-36.


Furthermore, Applicant has amended the following claims to depend directly or indirectly from allowable claim 7: 2, 5, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19, 23 and 29.

All of the pending claims, by virtue of these amendments, now contain allowable subject matter. Inasmuch as each of the rejections have been overcome

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by the amendments, and all of the examiner's suggestions and requirements have  
been satisfied, it is respectfully requested that the present application be  
reconsidered, the rejections be withdrawn and that this application be passed to  
issue.

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